

Glen Echo Park -- No. 500004

Category
Agency
Planning Area
Relocation Impact

General Government
Public Works & Transportation
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None.

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Required Adequate Public Facility

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NO

EXPENDITURE SCHEDULE (\$000)

Cost Element	Total	Thru FY03	Est. FY04	Total 6 Years	FY05	FY06	FY07	FY08	FY09	FY10	Beyond 6 Years
Planning, Design and Supervision	3,344	2,439	830	75	75	0	0	0	0	0	0
Land											
Site Improvements and Utilities	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Construction	16,501	11,020	5,106	375	375	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other	5	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	19,850	13,464	5,936	450	450	0	0	0	0	0	0

FUNDING SCHEDULE (\$000)

PAYGO	5,729	5,729	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
G.O. Bonds	481	67	414	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Contributions	300	300	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Federal Aid	7,040	3,990	2,800	250	250	0	0	0	0	0	0
State Aid	6,300	3,378	2,722	200	200	0	0	0	0	0	0

ANNUAL OPERATING BUDGET IMPACT (\$000)

DESCRIPTION

For over a century, Glen Echo Park, a National Park Service (NPS) owned property, has served the region as a center for education, entertainment, and cultural development. Diminishing NPS resources led to the deterioration of the park facilities, some of which are now structurally unsound and all of which are in extreme disrepair. This project will stabilize and rehabilitate the existing dilapidated park structures. It will also demolish the existing administration building and build an educational complex, with limited administrative spaces, on the existing building's footprint. The County will manage construction as a joint venture with the NPS and the State. Utility and storm drain construction for the National Park Service to a total of \$450,000 was added in FY02.

JUSTIFICATION

Glen Echo Park was acquired by the NPS to protect the land and scenery adjacent to the Potomac River Palisades. In addition to this conservation goal, the park contributes to the social fabric of the region by providing social, educational, cultural, and recreational opportunities. The park itself is listed as a historic district on the National Register of Historic Places and nine of the individual structures were determined to contribute to the district's architectural and historic significance. Further, the park contributes to the collective history of the region's residents.

Plans and Studies

In 1998, the National Park Service began developing a long-range management plan for the park, including a review of the operational management alternatives. Shortly thereafter, the County Executive established the Glen Echo Park Working Group, which included park neighbors and program participants, as well as County, State, and Federal government representatives, to develop a renovation and management plan for the park. After the Management Plan was approved, the Working Group was disbanded and the Executive has established an implementation committee with community and business representatives to establish a non-profit entity to manage GEP under contract with the County. Capital improvements and scope of work for park facilities are outlined in the Glen Echo Park Stabilization and Rehabilitation Plan, July 1999. Pedestrian Safety was considered during design.

Cost Change

Federal government will contribute \$750,000 for interior construction of NPS offices and information areas.

STATUS

In July 1998, the working group's recommendations were endorsed by the County Executive and presented to the NPS. The NPS has decided to separate the rehabilitation and management components of the long-range park plan. An Environmental Impact Study was completed in 2000. The management plan was finalized by the NPS in 2001. For the annual operation of the Park, the working group's proposal included a County subsidy of \$100,000 for four years, after which the County subsidy would end. The County approved \$100,000 subsidies in FY03 and in FY04. The County will consider approving the third \$100,000 subsidy for FY05 during the FY05 budget deliberations and the fourth \$100,000 subsidy for FY06 during the FY06 budget deliberations. The County approved an additional \$80,000 in FY04 for maintenance. The project schedule is adjusted to conform with current project implementation expectations.

FISCAL NOTE

In September 1999, a cooperative agreement among the NPS, Montgomery County, and the State of Maryland was established for the purpose of facilitating a cost-sharing arrangement for the stabilization and rehabilitation of park facilities. The State's FY00 CIP includes their participation in this project. The Federal FY00 budget includes Federal project participation. County funding beyond FY00 for the rehabilitation of existing structures is dependent upon the completion by the NPS of a General Management Plan and Environmental Impact Study and the County's agreement with the management scenario. The County will reconsider the amount of County funding if the Federal or State governments do not contribute the amount of funding assumed in the Funding Schedule.

APPROPRIATION AND EXPENDITURE DATA

Date First Appropriation	FY99	(\$000)
Initial Cost Estimate		20,258
First Cost Estimate		
Current Scope	FY04	19,850
Last FY's Cost Estimate		19,850
Present Cost Estimate		19,850
Appropriation Request	FY05	0
Appropriation Request Est.	FY06	0
Supplemental		
Appropriation Request	FY04	0
Transfer		0
Cumulative Appropriation		19,850
Expenditures/		
Encumbrances		14,964
Unencumbered Balance		4,886
Partial Closeout Thru	FY02	0
New Partial Closeout	FY03	0
Total Partial Closeout		0

COORDINATION

Arts and Humanities Council of Montgomery
County
Bannockburn Civic Association
Bethesda-Chevy Chase Regional Services Center
Department of Public Works and Transportation,
Division of Capital Development
Glen Echo Cooperator's Association
Glen Echo Park Foundation
Glen Echo Park Stabilization and Rehabilitation
Plan, July 1999
M-NCPPC
National Campaign to Save Glen Echo Park
National Park Service
Preservation Maryland
State of Maryland
Town of Glen Echo

The Executive asserts that this project conforms to the requirements of local plans, as required by the Maryland Economic Growth, Resource Protection and Planning Act.

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